

## Métis Nation Legislative Assembly **RESOLUTION**

DATE:	May 25, 2024	Resolution MNLA240525-03
SUBJECT:	Resolution to Support Out of Province Citizenship	
MOVED BY:	Glen McCallum	President
SECONDED BY:	Michelle LeClair	Vice President
DECISION:	CARRIED (73 voted in favour, 15 voted in opposition, 0 abstained)	

WHEREAS the Constitution of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (the "Constitution") includes a definition of citizenship that does not include a Saskatchewan residency requirement;

WHEREAS the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly (MNLA) amended the Métis Nation of Saskatchewan Citizenship Act (the "Citizenship Act") in 2021 to provide for a process of registering eligible persons as Métis citizens based on the definition of Métis contained in the Constitution:

WHEREAS the Constitution requires a connection to the Métis homeland and Saskatchewan is the heart of the homeland, and the Métis Nation - Saskatchewan (MN-S) will continue to give life to this connection through holding to the national definition;

WHEREAS at community consultations in 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024 citizens supported removing any provincial residency requirements for MN-S citizenship;

WHEREAS the MN-S recognizes through community consultations, the importance of holding citizenship to out of province individuals;

WHEREAS the MNLA recognizes that Métis individuals who are eligible for MN-S citizenship but reside outside of Saskatchewan are not currently eligible for programs and services provided by MN-S;

WHEREAS the MN-S reaffirms its commitment to the preservation and celebration of Métis culture, heritage, and rights, while fostering greater solidarity and cooperation among Métis people residing both within and outside of Saskatchewan ensuring that all Métis people can stay connected to the Heartland wherever they reside;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the MNLA directs the Clerk of the MNLA to ensure the Constitution and the Citizenship Act are complied with, so that all applications for citizenship from Métis who meet the definition of citizenship in the Constitution, are approved and can remain connected to the Heartland wherever they reside; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the MNLA directs the Chief Executive Officer and the Registrar of the MN-S to develop guidelines for the implementation of this resolution.

This is a certified copy of this resolution adopted on May 25, 2024, in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

Richard Quintal Clerk of the Métis Nation Legislative Assembly